

# CPUC Utility Pole Safety En Banc

Los Angeles, CA

## ***National Electrical Safety Code***

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### **NESC**

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Executive Subcommittee

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### **ASC O5 Committee - New Pole Specs**

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# 100 Years Old



# Inaugural NESC Summit



## 100 Year NESC Anniversary

# Keynote Speakers & Bios



## **Ms. Patricia Hoffman**

*Assistant Secretary  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability*

Patricia Hoffman is the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability at the U.S. Department of Energy. The Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability leads the Department of Energy's (DOE) efforts to modernize the electric grid through the development and implementation of national policy pertaining to electric grid reliability and the management of research, development, and demonstration activities for "next generation" electric grid infrastructure technologies.



## **Mr. James Maddux**

*Director of the OSHA Directorate of Construction, Department of Labor,  
Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)*

Jim Maddux is Director of the OSHA Directorate of Construction. Before being appointed to the construction position in 2011, Jim held several leadership positions at OSHA, including Director of the Office of Physical Hazards, the Office of Maritime, the Office of Biological Hazards, the Office of Safety Systems, and Acting Deputy Director for the Directorate of Standards and Guidance.

Jim has been a project director, author and contributor to numerous OSHA



# High Powered Speakers

**Bob W. Bradish**

**AEP**

Vice President – Transmission Grid Development

**Daniel K. Glover**

**Southern Company**

Vice President – Power Delivery - Distribution

**Robert Woods**

**Southern California Edison**

Managing Director of Asset Management and Operations Support

**Stephen A. Cauffman**

**NIST-National Institute of Standards & Tech**

Manager, Community Resilience Program

**Jorge A. Camacho, PE**

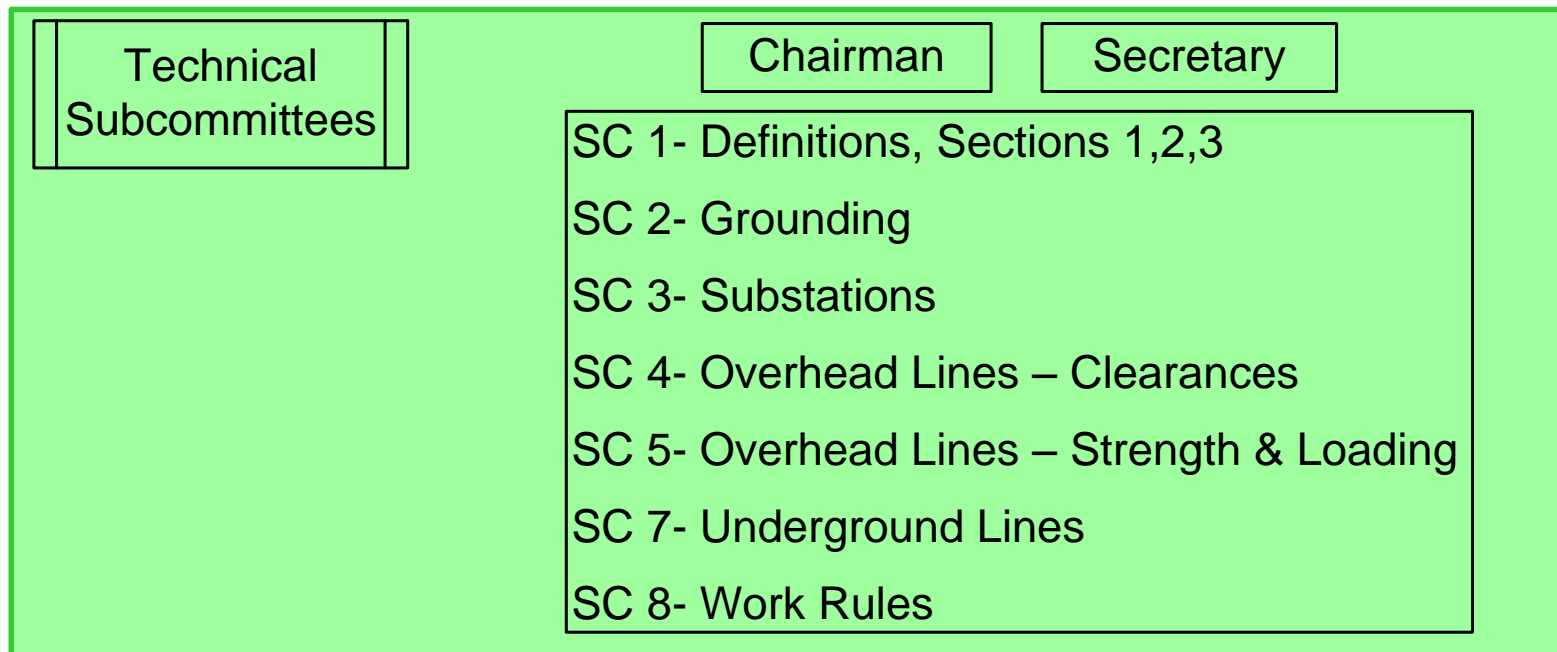
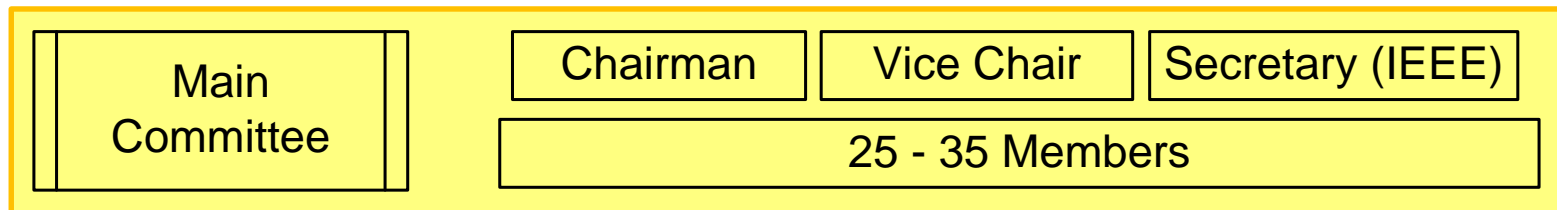
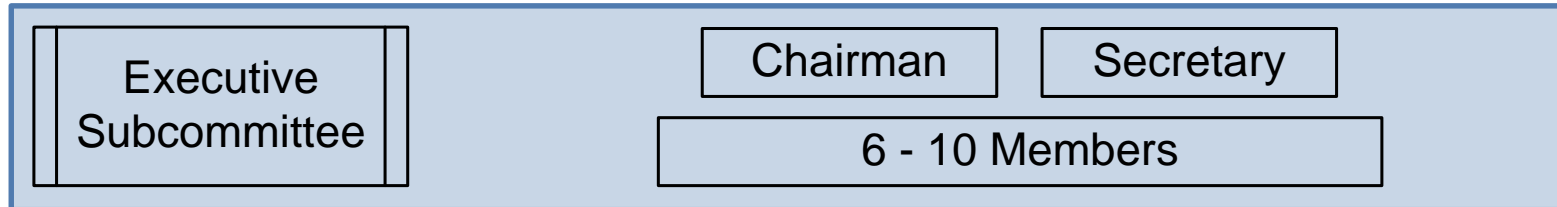
**PSC – District of Columbia**

Chief, Infrastructure and System Planning

# 2015 NESC Summit



# NESC Organization



# Schedule for 2017 NESC

Submit change proposals:

Jan **19 Months** 13

First Subcommittees Votes:

Sept-Oct 2013

Preprint Distributed:

**13 Months** 14

Public Comments Until:

**9 Months**

Subcommittees Vote on Comments:

**6 Months**

Draft Submitted for Letter Ballot:

**3 Months**

Revisions Submitted to ANSI:

**4 Months**

Published:

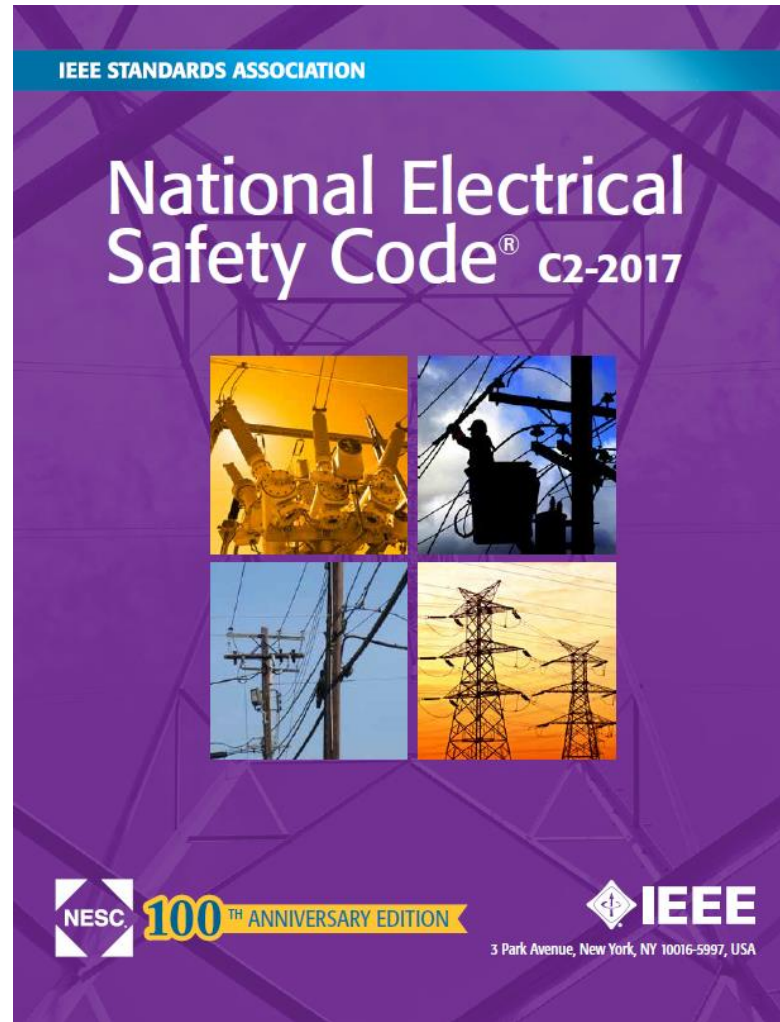
**3 Months**

Effective:

January 2017



# 2017 NESC



# **Insulators – New Rating System**

## **Old Line Post ratings:**

**Rating equal to average**

**Lowest not less than 85% of average**

## **New Line Post ratings:**

**Rating = Minimum of all insulators**

# **Insulators – New Rating System**

**Old Transmission Suspension ratings:**

**1.2 standard deviations**

**New Transmission Suspension ratings:**

**3.0 standard deviations**

# Insulators

## **CP Intention:**

**Adjust allowable stresses**

**Mostly equivalent insulator applications**

**Introduce Classes: Distribution & Trans**

**Different allowables for Rule 250B vs 250C, D**

## **Aeolian Vibration – Rule 261H.1.b**

### 261. Grades B and C construction

### H. Open supply conductors and overhead shield wires

- b. The potential for Aeolian vibration damage to conductors and related hardware shall be considered. Aeolian vibration mitigation shall be based on a qualified engineering study, manufacturer's recommendations, or experience from comparable installations. Consideration shall include but is not limited to: conductor material, stranding, type, size, tension, conductor attachment hardware, span length, wind exposure, and expected atmospheric loadings.

If from these considerations, mitigation actions are considered necessary, recognized vibration mitigation methods include, but are not limited to, the appropriate use of one or more of the following:

- vibration control devices
- stress-reduction devices
- self-damping conductors and (or) vibration resistant conductors
- reducing design tension limits for cold weather condition



## **Aeolian Vibration – Rule 261H.1.b**

### 261. Grades B and C construction

## Final Action: Accept

- H. Open supply conductors and overhead shield wires
- c. If limiting tension in Rule 261H1b(4) is the only method applied to mitigate any potential Aeolian vibration damage, the tension at the applicable temperature listed in Table 251-1 shall not exceed the following percentages of the conductor's rated breaking strength:

35% at initial tension without external loading

25% at final tension without external loading

**NOTE 1:** Initial tension in this application is a conductor condition that exists immediately after installation. This condition exists before inelastic elongation, creep or stress relaxation occurs and before the conductor is subjected to external loads.

NOTE 2: Final tension in this application is intended to be the tension that exists after long term creep and prior to ice or wind loading.

NOTE 3: The above percentage limits may not protect the conductor or facilities from damage due to Aeolian vibration.



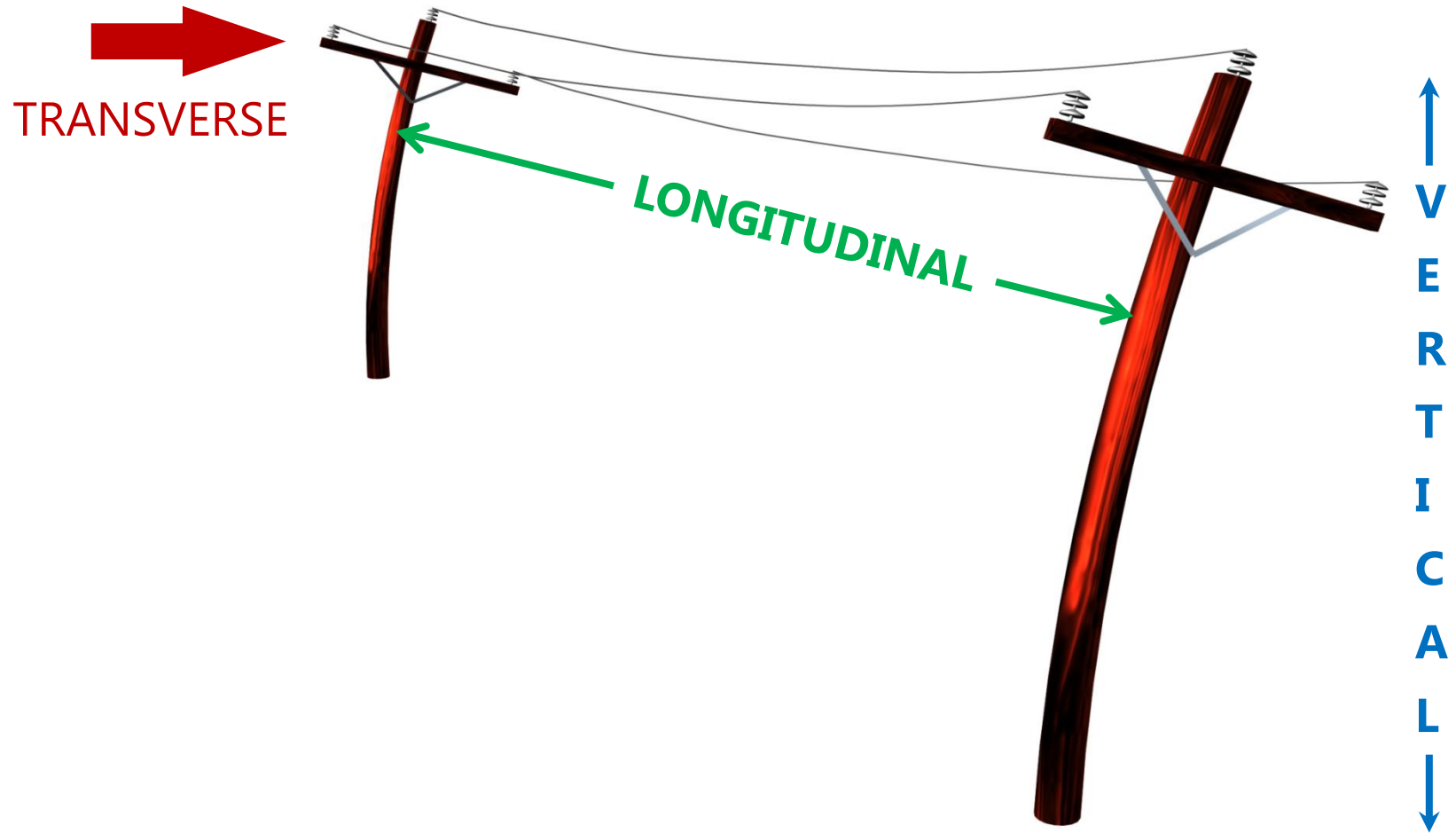
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## **October 18-19, 2016**

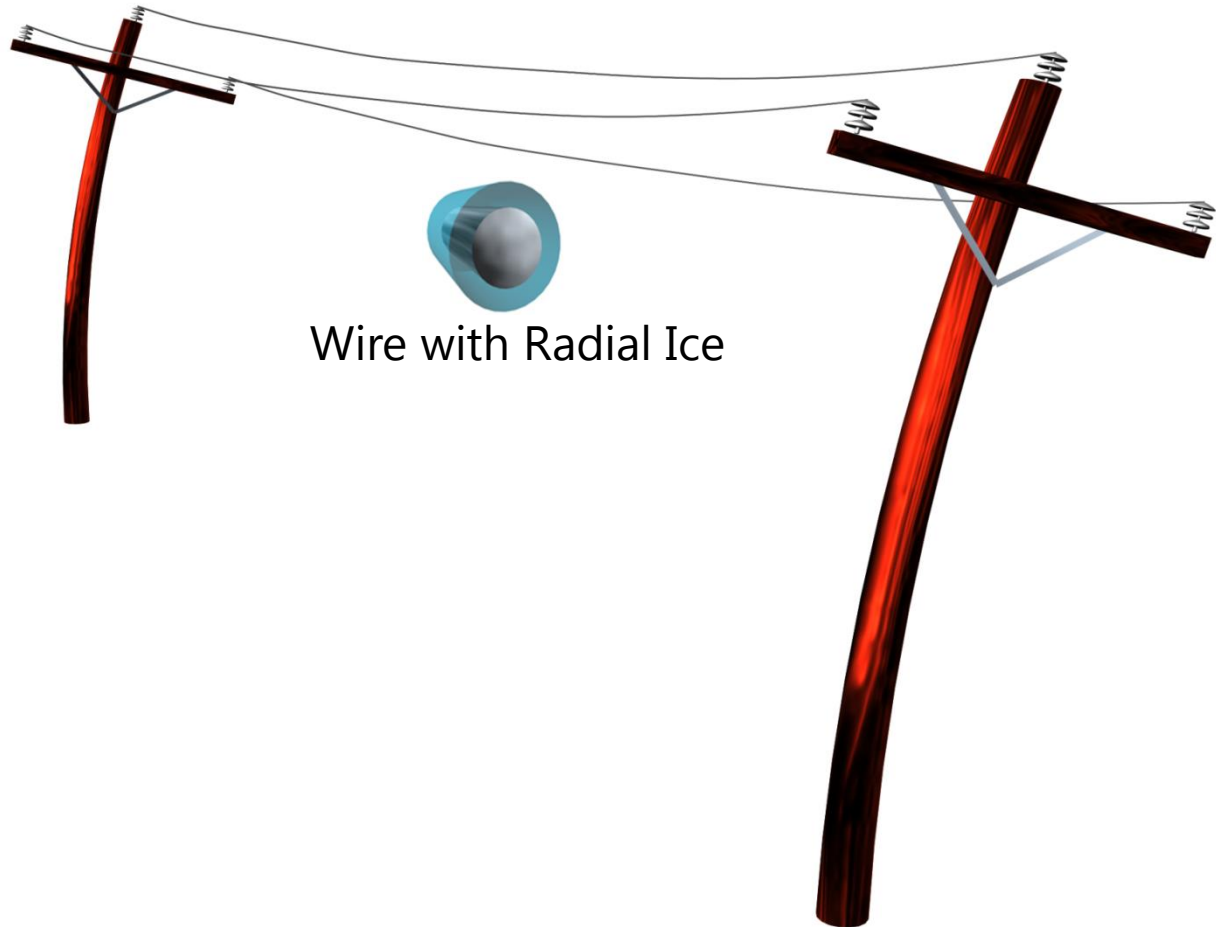
### **San Antonio, TX**

- 2017 NESC Changes
- The Future of the NESC

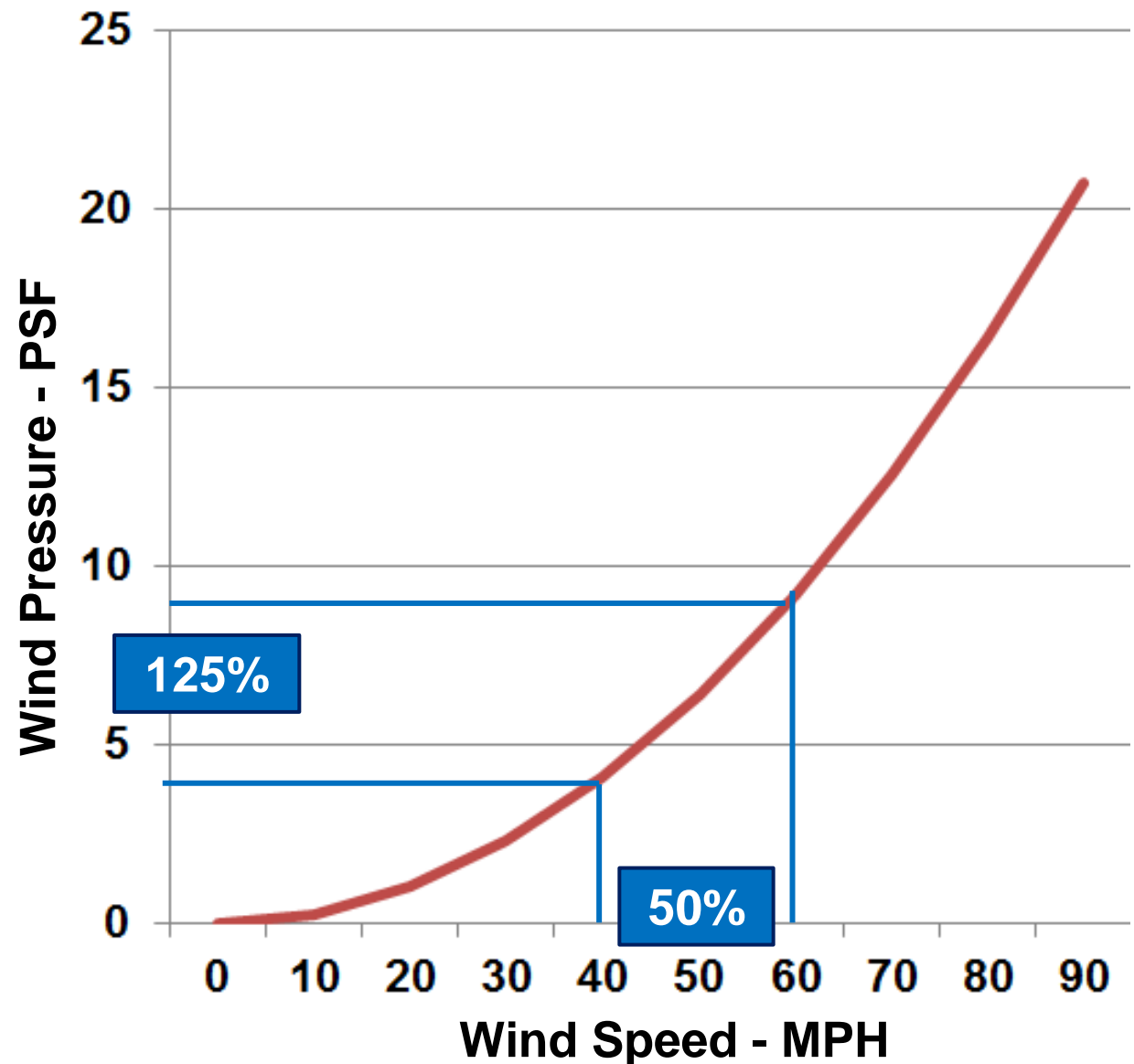
# Loading Directions



# Transverse Load



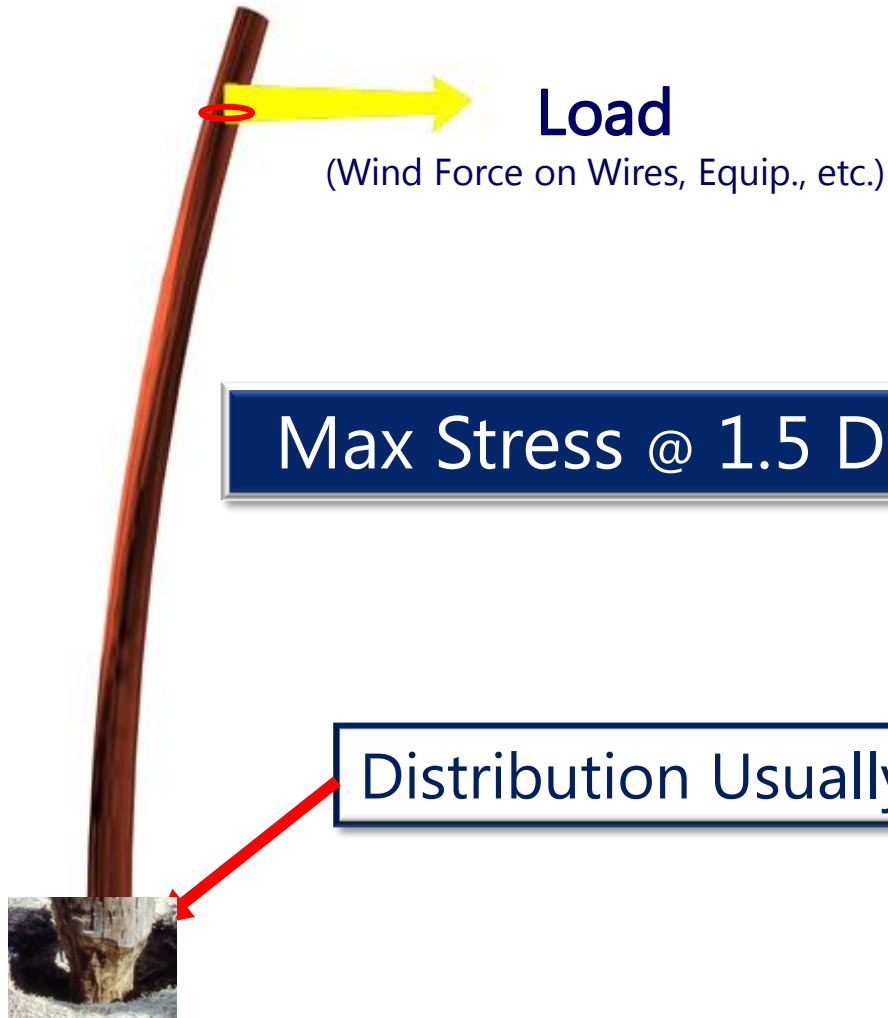
# Wind Pressure vs Wind Speed





# Maximum Stress Point

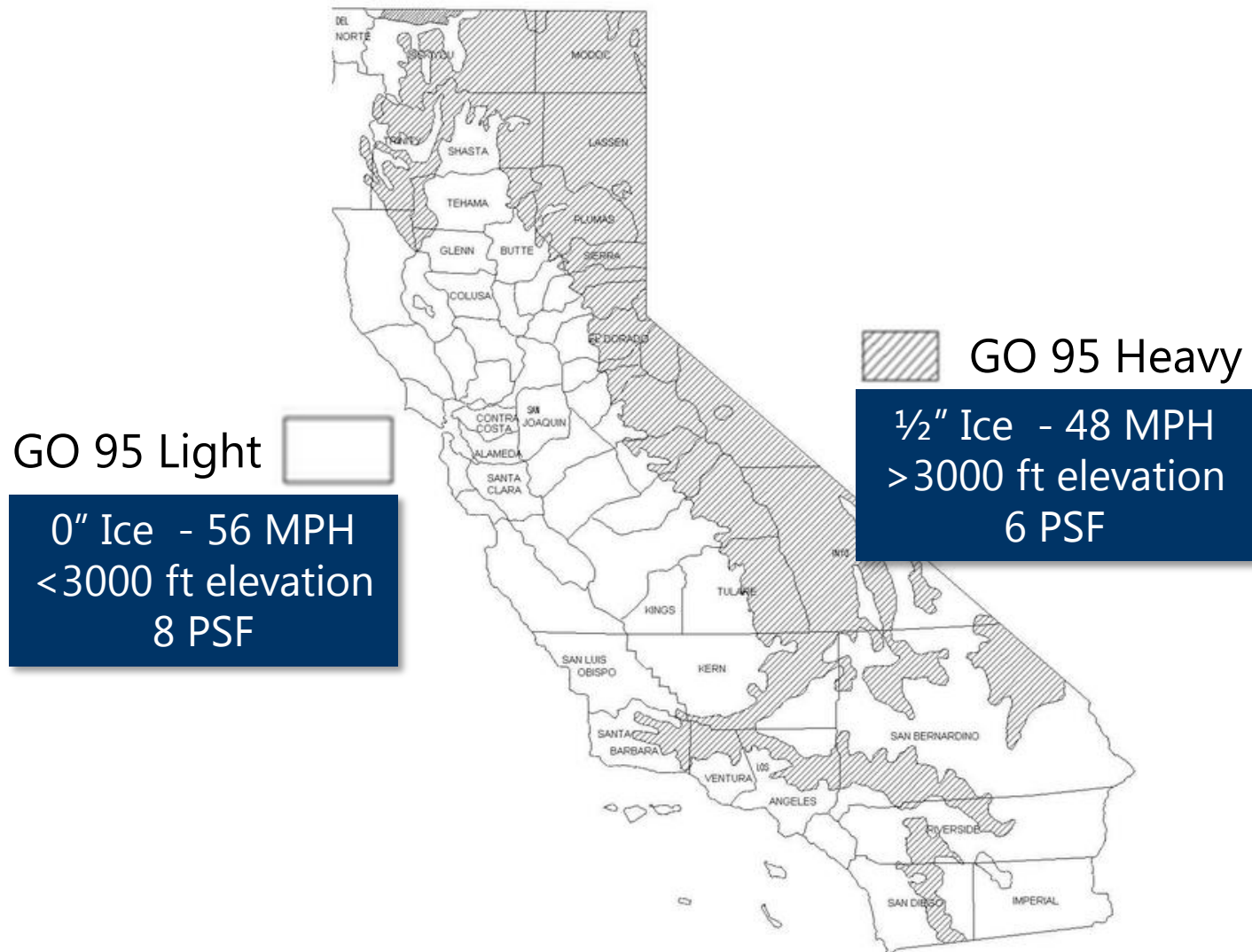
Solid, Round, Tapered, Cantilever



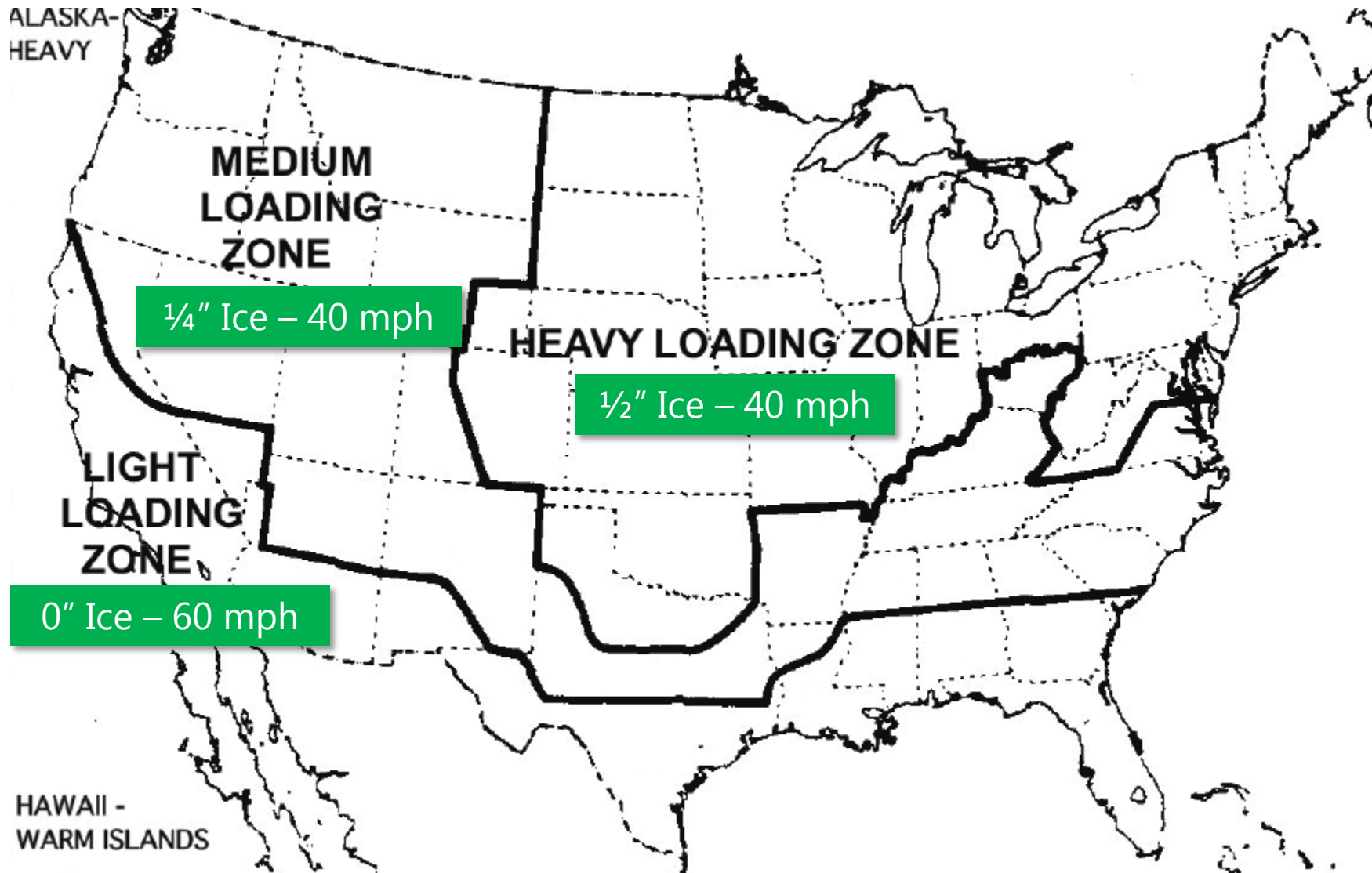
Max Stress @ 1.5 Diameter Load Point

Distribution Usually Groundline

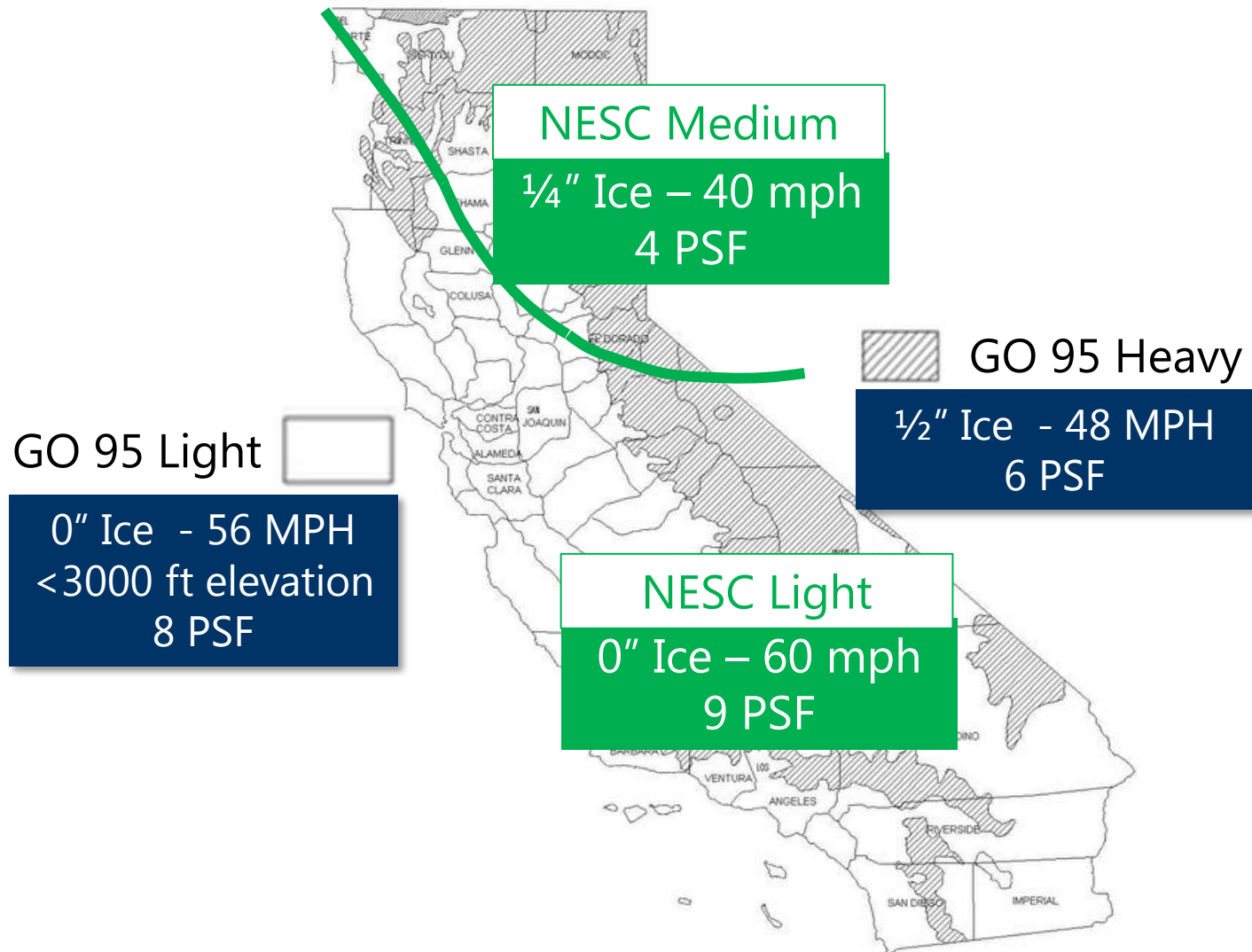
# GO95 District Loading



# NESCC District Loading



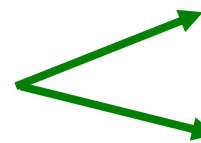
# GO95 District Loading



# Wood NESC Safety Factors

## 1977 NESC

Grade B      Safety Factor = 4

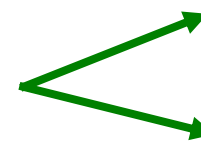


**.65** Strength Factor

**2.50** Load Factor

## 1977 NESC

Grade C      Safety Factor = 2

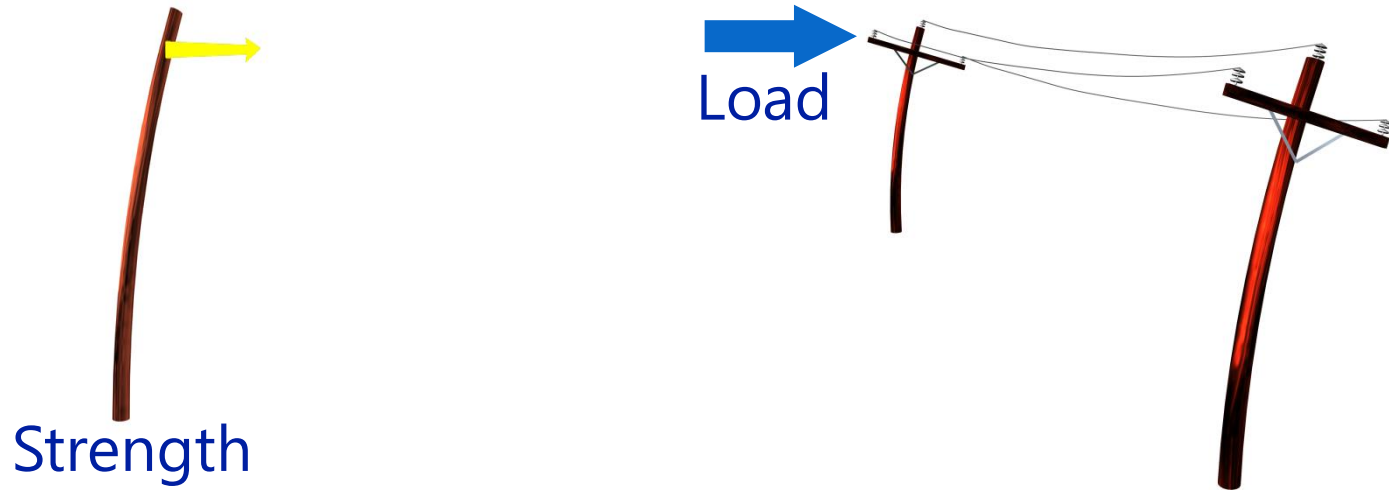


**.85** Strength Factor

**1.75** Load Factor



# Wood NESC Safety Factors



## Load Resistance Factor Design

$$\text{Load} * \text{Factor} < \text{Resistance} * \text{Factor}$$

(Strength)

### 1997 NESC

$$\text{Pole Strength} \times .65 > \text{Storm Load} \times 2.5 \text{ (B)}$$

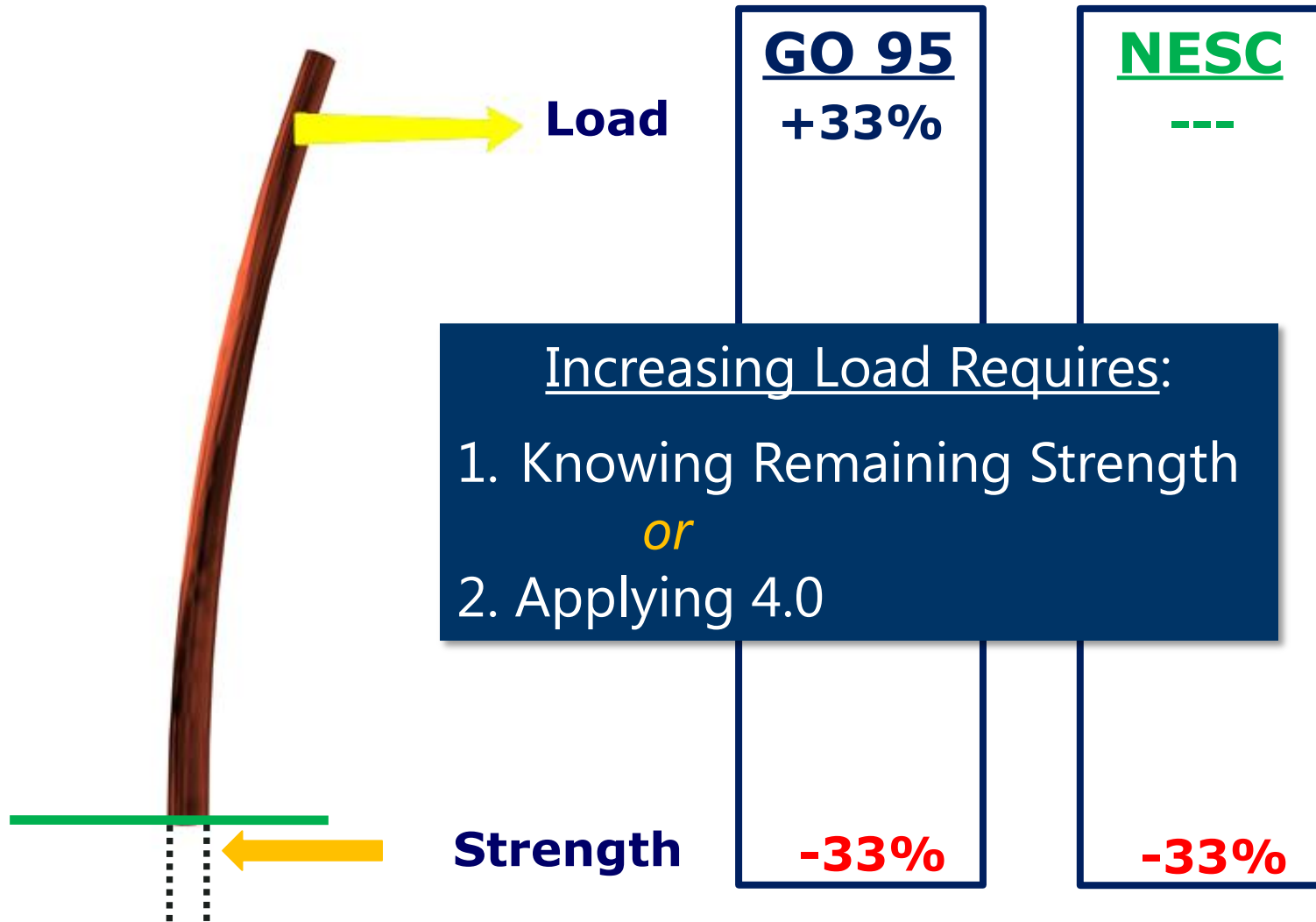
$$\text{Pole Strength} \times .85 > \text{Storm Load} \times 1.75 \text{ (C)}$$

# Safety Factor Comparison

NESC		GO 95	
Grade	Wood SF	Wood SF	Grade
B	3.85	4	A
		3	B
C	2.06	2	C

NESC		GO 95	
Grade	Wood SF	Wood SF	Grade
B	2.5	1.5	A
		1.25	B
C	1.75	1.25	C

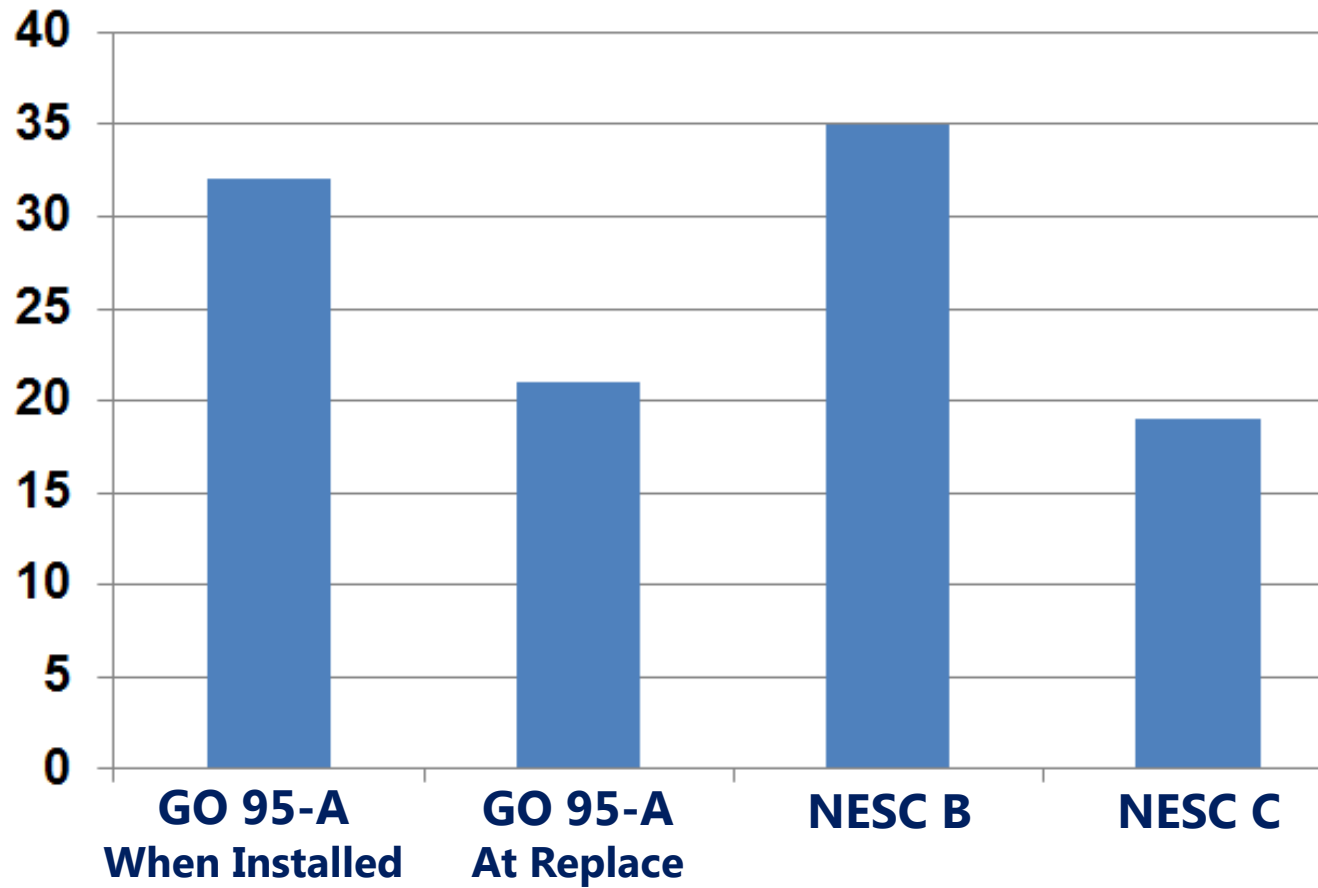
# Safety Factor Reductions



# Load Safety Factor Comparisons

Code	District	Grade	Wind Pressure	Safety Factor	Factored Pressure
GO 95	Light	A	8	4	32
GO 95	Light	A	8	2.67	21
NESC	Light	B	9	3.85	35
NESC	Light	C	9	2.06	19

# Load Safety Factor Comparisons







# **The NESC Going Forward**

**Safety**

**Reliability**

**Resilience**

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# NIST – Disaster Resilience Framework

## Disaster Resilience Framework Document

The Disaster Resilience Framework will identify typical performance goals; existing standards, codes, and practices to enhance resilience; and gaps that must be addressed to enhance community resilience. The first version of the Framework will provide the basis for convening a Disaster Resilience Standards Panel (DRSP) representing the broad spectrum of the stakeholder community to further develop and refine the Framework.



Credit: NIST

# **The Future**

**National Institute of Standards & Technology**

**Department of Energy**

**California Public Utility Commission**

**Edison Electric Institute**

**American Society of Civil Engineers**

**Non-linear Analysis**

**Solar**

**Wind**





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